



Transportation Alternatives Program

FY2017 Applicant Workshop

Transportation Alternatives Program Workshop Overview

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Transportation Alternatives Program MAP-21 Transportation Bill

Passed July 2012. The program includes:

- **Most of the eligible activities from the Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program**
- **Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS) activities**
- **Recreational Trails Program activities**

and a new one:

- **Planning, designing, or constructing boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways**

Transportation Alternatives Program Legislation

- **Establishes mandatory funding distribution based on population areas**
- **Requires that MPOs make project selections in urban population areas**
- **Retains 80% federal / 20% local match funding arrangement**
- **Outlines eligible sponsors**
- **Eliminates the “Common Rule”**
- **Redefines eligible activities**

Transportation Alternatives Program Population Areas

Less than 5,000

5,000 – 200,000

Greater than 200,000

Four Transportation Management Areas (TMAs)

Northern Virginia

Hampton Roads

Richmond

Roanoke

Four TMAs include six Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG)

Fredericksburg (North Stafford County)

Hampton Roads

Richmond

Tri-Cities

Roanoke

Transportation Alternatives Program Sub-Allocation of Funds

Example

FY15 – approx. \$20.3M

Rec Trails – approx \$1.5M – **off the top to DCR**

50/50 distribution – approx \$18.8M

\$9.4M

\$9.4M

- Allocated based on population
- **\$5.7M** to 4 Transportation Management Areas (TMAs)
- **\$3.7M** to other areas of the state based on population
- Allocated to any area of the state
- These are funds CTB Policy will govern distribution of
- State DOT can transfer these funds to other Highway Programs

Transportation Alternatives Program Local Match Requirement

TAP remains an 80 / 20 reimbursement program with a maximum 80% eligible for federal reimbursement

- Requires minimum 20% local match
- Local match can be provided as cash or in-kind

Requirements for In-Kind Match:

- The expenses must be otherwise eligible for the program
- With exception of donated real property (buildings or land) in-kind costs cannot be incurred prior to fully executed project agreement , the project's obligation of funds and authorization by FHWA
- In-kind services that contribute to engineering activities must be performed after project agreement, obligation and authorization
- In-kind services that are construction activities must be performed after project agreement, obligation, authorization and NEPA (environmental document) approval

Transportation Alternatives Program In-Kind Match

Eligible Examples

- ✓ Design services
- ✓ Attorney services
- ✓ Appraisal services
- ✓ Donated property
- ✓ Donated building
- ✓ Donated materials
- ✓ Construction services

Ineligible Examples

- × Cost of volunteer events
- × Application preparation
- × Training courses
- × Costs for activities not eligible for the program
- × Services performed prior to project agreement, obligation and authorization

Transportation Alternatives Program Eligible Sponsors

- **Local governments**
- **Regional transportation authorities**
- **Transit agencies**
- **Natural resource or public land agencies**
- **School districts, local education agencies, or schools**
- **Tribal governments**
- **Other local or regional governmental entity with responsibility for oversight of transportation or recreational trails**

NOT ELIGIBLE – State DOTs, MPOs or Non-Profits

Transportation Alternatives Program MAP-21 Treatment of Projects

TAP funded projects are treated as projects on a Federal-aid highway under Title 23 CFR provisions, regardless of whether the projects are located within right of way of a Federal-aid highway.

These provisions include:

- **Federal Obligation and Authorization prior to incurring costs**
- **National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA)**
- **Uniform Act (RW Acquisition)**
- **Civil Rights requirements**
- **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)**
- **Davis-Bacon wage rates**
- **Buy America (Steel)**
- **Competitive bidding and other procurement requirements**

Transportation Alternatives Program Eligible Activities

Any activity related to surface transportation that qualifies:

- In one or more of the 10 Transportation Alternatives activities



- As a Safe Routes to School Program activity



Town of Kilmarnock

- As a “construction of boulevards in former interstate system routes” activity

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Activity #1

Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation.



Project Examples:

- Rural Retreat Sidewalks
- Elizabeth River Trail, Norfolk
- Metro Bicycle Parking, Arlington
- UVA Bike Share System

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Activity #1

Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation.

Eligible

- ✓ New or reconstructed sidewalks and curb ramps
- ✓ Bicycle infrastructure including bike lanes, bike racks and shelters
- ✓ Off Road trails
- ✓ Pedestrian and bicycle bridges and underpasses

Not Eligible

- ✗ Sidewalk repair, drainage improvements or other maintenance activities
- ✗ Circular trails / sidewalks
- ✗ Facilities located wholly on one site or property that do not provide a connection to existing trails or sidewalks outside the site or property
- ✗ Trails for equestrian use only
- ✗ Recreational facilities
- ✗ Any non-ADA compliant trail / sidewalk facility
- ✗ Way-finding signage / program as a stand-alone project
- ✗ Preliminary work including feasibility / location studies and master plans

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Activity #2

Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers to access daily needs.

Project Examples:

- Rosslyn – Ballston Corridor Improvements, Arlington
- ADA Bus Access Improvements, Roanoke
- Loudoun SRTS Improvements



Manassas

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Activity #2

Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers to access daily needs.

Eligible

- ✓ Crosswalks and pedestrian refuge areas
- ✓ Pedestrian and bicycle signals
- ✓ Pedestrian lighting
- ✓ Safe connections to public transportation
- ✓ ADA Curb Ramps

Not Eligible

- × Bicycle and pedestrian safety / educational programs, except as SRTS non-infrastructure project
- × Lighting fixtures intended for aesthetic purposes only
(instances where adequate lighting already exists)
- × Roadway lighting

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Activity #3

Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists or other non-motorized transportation users.



Virginia Blue Ridge Railway Trail
Nelson & Amherst County



High Bridge Trail
Cumberland, Nottoway and
Prince Edward County

Project Examples:

- Hanging Rock Trail
- Jackson River Scenic Trail
- Huckleberry Trail
- Sections of the Tobacco Heritage Trail

Transportation Alternatives Program Activity #3

Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists or other non-motorized transportation users.

Eligible

- ✓ Rails-to-Trails facilities

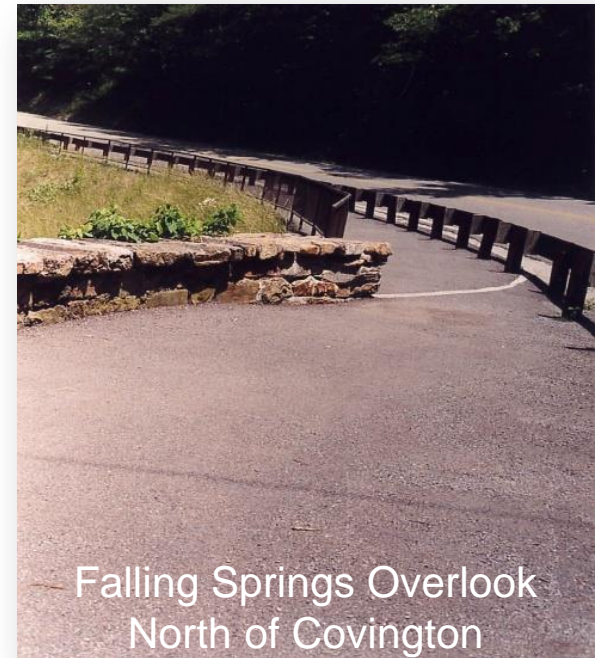
Not Eligible

- × Projects solely to preserve abandoned railroad right of way
- × Trail facilities for motorized vehicles (ATVs, dirt bikes, snowmobiles, etc.)
- × Maintenance and/or upkeep of trails (including the purchase of equipment)

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Activity #4

Construction of turn-outs, overlooks, and viewing areas to promote the scenic and historic character of local roads.



Project Examples:

- Ogg Farm Pull Off, Trevilian Station Battlefield
- Civil War Trails Pull Offs

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Activity #4

Construction of turn-outs, overlooks, and viewing areas to promote the scenic and historic character of local roads.

Eligible

- ✓ Turnouts, overlooks and viewing areas that interpret a scenic or historic site

Not Eligible

- × Interpretation and other amenities installed without construction of a turnout, overlook or viewing area
- × Safety rest areas
- × Visitor / welcome centers
- × Farmers markets, entertainment pavilions, etc.
- × Staffing, operating or maintenance costs of the pull off
- × Marketing and promotional activities

Transportation Alternatives Program Activity #5

Inventory, control, or removal of outdoor advertising.



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Activity #6

Historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities.

Manassas Train Station



Blue Ridge / Afton
Mountain Tunnel,
Nelson County

Cape Henry Lighthouse,
Virginia Beach



Project Examples:

- Chilhowie Bridge, Town of Marion
- Pamplin Depot, Town of Pamplin City

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Activity #6

Historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities.

Eligible

- ✓ Rehabilitation and /or restoration of historic transportation facilities including: train depots, rail trestles, bridges, lighthouses, bus terminals, tunnels, canals, locks and tow paths
- ✓ Properties previously owned and operated by the railroad (example: railway offices and station master's house)
- ✓ Historic toll facilities

Not Eligible

- × Historic buildings not part of the historic transportation infrastructure (examples: inns and taverns, gas stations and carriage houses)
- × Operating costs for historic transportation facilities
- × Spaces not open / accessible to the public
- × Spaces used in for-profit enterprises
- × Constructing a replica of an historic transportation facility
- × Construction of new rail / passenger stations
- × Transportation infrastructure not related to surface transportation (i.e., air and space travel)

Transportation Alternatives Program Activities #7 and #8

#7 Vegetation management practices in transportation rights-of-way to improve roadway safety, prevent against invasive species, and provide erosion control.



Tree-of-heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*)

#8 Archaeological activities relating to impacts from implementation of a transportation project eligible under this title.

Transportation Alternatives Program Activity #9 and #10

#9 Environmental mitigation activity, including prevention and abatement activities to address storm water management, control, and water pollution related to highway runoff.



#10 Wildlife mortality mitigation to reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality or to restore and maintain connectivity among terrestrial or aquatic habitats.

Transportation Alternatives Program Safe Routes To Schools



SRTS continues to be a VDOT initiative through the Transportation and Mobility Planning Division

- **Non-Infrastructure grants**
- **Mini-Grants (Quickstart and Walkabout)**
- **Technical Assistance**
- **Outreach**
- **Online Resources**

Transportation Alternatives Program Safe Routes To Schools

Requirements



- **Must be within 2 miles of a K-8 school**
- **Under MAP-21, SRTS is an 80 / 20 federal program; it is no longer funded at 100% federal participation**
- **No School Travel Plan required**

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Safe Routes To Schools

Infrastructure

- Infrastructure improvements are now part of TAP
- **Eligible activities include:**
 - ✓ Sidewalk improvements
 - ✓ Traffic calming and speed reduction improvements
 - ✓ Pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements
 - ✓ On-street bicycle facilities
 - ✓ Off-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities
 - ✓ Shared-use paths/trails
 - ✓ Secure bicycle parking facilities
 - ✓ Traffic Diversion improvements
 - ✓ Other projects that improve ped/bike safety and access
- **Ineligible activities include:**
 - x Bus stop improvements
 - x Improvements to traffic flow/kiss and ride for motorized vehicles
 - x Others not related to walking or biking



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Safe Routes To Schools

Application Attachment B:



- Principal letter of support
- Title-I status
- Travel modes
- Travel distance
- Parent survey
- Barriers to walking
- Efforts to promote walking/biking to school

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Safe Routes To Schools



Benefits of applying as an SRTS Project:

- Additional points
- Projects that may otherwise be ineligible (e.g. sidewalk repair)
- SRTS “Branding”
- Technical Assistance
- Opportunity for additional justification of need
- Allows for tracking / data collection by SRTS program

Transportation Alternatives Program Application Process

Prerequisites:

- **Public Information Meeting**
- **Resolution from Sponsor**
- **MPO Endorsement (if applicable)**

**Activities qualifying as a Recreational Trails project
should apply directly to the Department of
Conservation and Recreation (DCR)**

Transportation Alternatives Program Application Process



PROJECT APPLICATION FORM FISCAL YEAR 2017

**APPLICATION DEADLINE
NOVEMBER 1, 2015**

Use TAB KEY to reach each field

1. Project Sponsor		Name and Title:	<input type="text"/>
		Organization:	<input type="text"/>
		Address:	<input type="text"/>
		City, State, Zip+4:	<input type="text"/> , <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>
		Telephone/Fax:	(<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> / (<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>
		E-mail Address:	<input type="text"/>
2. Project Manager		Name and Title:	<input type="text"/>
		Organization:	<input type="text"/>
		Address:	<input type="text"/>
		City, State, Zip+4:	<input type="text"/> , <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>
		Telephone/Fax:	(<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> / (<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>
		E-mail Address:	<input type="text"/>
3. Sponsor DUNS Number	<input type="text"/>	4. Project UPC Number (Existing Projects Only)	<input type="text"/>
5. Project Title <input type="text"/>			
5a. Provide a description of the project and a clearly defined scope of the improvements to be made utilizing Transportation Alternatives funds.			
<input type="text"/>			
6. Identify beginning and ending termini and provide a location map with the project area clearly marked.			
Start Location: <input type="text"/>		End Location: <input type="text"/>	
6a. ZIP+4 for project location <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>			

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Project Funding

11. Total project cost (*) is to be limited to the project described in this application and based on the beginning and ending termini provided. This should not be considered the "whole" of a multi-phased project. According to the attached Project Budget - Attachment C, the following project costs can be demonstrated:		
Total Anticipated TA Funding	Cannot exceed 80% of total project cost	<input type="text"/>
Total Local 20% Match Required	Based on the anticipated TA funds above	<input type="text"/>
Other Project Funds (Non-TAP funds)	Include local funds, other grants and donations	<input type="text"/>
Total Project Cost (*)	Sum of above; should match Attachment C	<input type="text"/>

12. Transportation Alternatives Funding Request		
12a. Federal TA Funds Requested	This Application Only	<input type="text"/>
12b. Prior TE/TA Funds Received	This Project Only	<input type="text"/>
12c. Local Match Required	For 12a. <u>plus</u> 12b. Only	<input type="text"/>

13. Do you plan to use in-kind to meet all or part of the 20% local match requirement?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
13a. If yes, provide the estimated value of services and / or donations to be applied as in-kind match.	Value: \$ <input type="text"/>
13b. If planning to use in-kind match, explain in detail the services to be provided and where possible, provide documentation identifying the donations being made and the dollar value for each.	
<input type="text"/>	

14. If the 20% local match is being provided in cash, identify the proposed source of funding.
<input type="text"/>

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Project Concept

18. Has the sponsor performed an on-site evaluation of the project to determine the project's constructability and cost?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, provide date and attendees.	
<div></div>	
19. Describe any possible challenges or obstacles that will require additional design consideration, cost or design waivers.	
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20. The use of federal transportation funds requires compliance with the <i>Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)</i>; describe how this project will meet these design requirements.	
If this is a pedestrian and/or bicycle facility, include a description of the proposed surface (concrete, asphalt, etc) and width of the completed facility including any bridges.	
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21. Describe any anticipated challenges to meeting ADA design requirements including slope / terrain, RW limitations, historic features, etc.	
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22. Is the project located within a designated historic district or within a downtown business district?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, how will the project improve the aesthetic value of the affected area? What economic impacts will the proposed changes have?	
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Project Improves Transportation Network

30. Does the project provide new access (access that does not currently exist) to transit stations, commuter lots, bus stops, etc.?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, provide a description of the public transportation links.	
<input type="text"/>	
31. Does the project provide connections to existing regional trails or pedestrian / bicycle facilities? Does the project provide a "missing link" in the existing transportation network?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, explain making sure to identify the specific location and connections provided and the missing links addressed. Include a location map to demonstrate the connections and/or missing link.	
<input type="text"/>	
32. Does the project provide bicycle/pedestrian facilities where none previously existed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, explain why this location was chosen and include pictures of the proposed location.	
<input type="text"/>	
33. Does this project increase opportunities to meet daily needs without motorized transportation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, give specific destinations served including schools, libraries, shopping, healthcare, etc.	
<input type="text"/>	
34. Does this project add features/devices that will improve bicycle and pedestrian safety (ex. crosswalks, bike/ped signals, lighting, physical barriers to separate facilities, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, provide a description including any accident data available.	
<input type="text"/>	

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Sponsor's Ability to Administer Federal Project

37. The sponsor is required to provide an employee who is responsible for all major project decisions. This person is referred to as the sponsor's Responsible Person (RP) and may or may not be the project manager.

Identify the staff member assigned as the "Responsible Person" for this project:

Name:

Title:

Years in this position:

38. Describe the experience and / or training that qualifies this person to be the responsible charge for a federal-aid transportation project.

39. Select from the following the best choice describing the RP's experience:

- ☐ The RP has successful experience providing oversight or managing a federal aid transportation project within the previous five years.
- ☐ The RP has successful experience participating as a team member, but not a RP, for a federal aid transportation project.
- ☐ The RP has no experience with federal aid projects, but has provided oversight for a state-aid transportation project.
- ☐ The RP has no experience providing oversight for a transportation project.

Regarding the experience noted above, briefly describe the two (2) most recent federal-aid projects including project scope, phases included (PE, RW, CN), cost and whether or not the project finished on-time and on-budget.

40. Describe the RP's role and responsibilities while overseeing these projects.

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Project's Readiness to Proceed

49. Design / engineering will be performed:	
<input type="checkbox"/> In-house by local staff <input type="checkbox"/> In-house utilizing a current on-call contract <input type="checkbox"/> Utilizing an outside consultant firm yet to be procured <input type="checkbox"/> Utilizing an outside consultant firm already procured for use on this project	
50. Is this project part of a larger / multi-phased project?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, provide the current status of the other phases and describe how they relate to this project.	
<input type="text"/>	
51. Has a master plan, feasibility and/or preliminary engineering studies been completed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, attach a copy of the plan / study and briefly summarize the results below.	
<input type="text"/>	
52. Has design work started?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Design has been started, and <input type="checkbox"/> 30% plans / <input type="checkbox"/> 50% plans / <input type="checkbox"/> 100% plans have been completed.	

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57. Attachment A – Supplemental Information for TMA projects Required if project is located in an MPO within a TMA.	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>
58. Attachment B – Supplemental Information for Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Projects Required if answered "Yes" to Question 10a.	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>
59. Attachment C – Project Budget Required for ALL projects.	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>
60. Attachment D – Existing Project Status Required for EXISTING projects only.	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>
60. Attachment E – VDOT Administration Request Required if population less than 5,000 and requesting VDOT assistance.	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>

Sponsor Certification		
Public Hearing / Information Meeting Held	Date: <input type="text"/>	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>
MPO Resolution of Support (if applicable)	Date: <input type="text"/>	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>
Local Resolution from Project Sponsor	Date: <input type="text"/>	Attached: <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Sponsor certifies the following: (Read and check each statement below)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We are familiar with Transportation Alternatives eligibility criteria and the Locally Administered Projects (LAP) Manual.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We will provide technical guidance and oversight throughout project development.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Budget accurately reflects cost of proposed project.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Project development will comply with all state and federal regulations, including ADA requirements.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We understand this project must be substantially complete and/or ready for construction within four (4) years of the initial federal funding.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We will be responsible for ensuring future maintenance and operating costs of the completed project.</p>		
Sponsor Signature (Authorized Official) _____		Date _____

Transportation Alternatives Program Application Process Project Budget – Attachment C

Task by Project Development Phase	Project Costs
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING PHASE	
Engineering/Design Fees	
Environmental Document	
Surveying	
Estimated VDOT review charges (we recommend budgeting for 3-5% of total project cost)	
Grant Administrative Costs	
<i>Add rows as needed</i>	
PE Phase TOTAL COSTS	
RIGHT OF WAY PHASE	
Right of Way Purchase	
Utility Relocation	
<i>Add rows as needed</i>	
RW Phase TOTAL COSTS	
CONSTRUCTION PHASE	
<i>*Include construction line items from engineer's estimate, add rows as needed</i>	
Construction Management	
Inspection Fees	
Materials Testing	
Contingency	
Construction VDOT oversight charges	
CN Phase TOTAL COSTS	
TOTAL COSTS (PE, RW & CN)	

Transportation Alternatives Program Application Process Project Budget – Attachment D



**FISCAL YEAR 2017
ATTACHMENT D
EXISTING PROJECT STATUS**

Identify project status and activities completed to date for the phase that is currently requesting funds.

Check all activities that have been completed on this project / phase and provide details of the progress made to date utilizing the text boxes available for each activity.

1. Project Initiation

☐ Initial Project Agreement fully executed

☐ Kick-off meeting with VDOT

2. Environmental

☐ Environmental (NEPA) document initiated

☐ VDOT performing environmental coordination

☐ Preliminary plans have been submitted to DHR for review

☐ Environmental document complete and no adverse effect (Or MOA executed)

3. Preliminary Engineering for current phase in development

☐ RFP for design services developed

☐ Design underway

☐ 50% Plans submitted for VDOT review

☐ 90/100% Plans submitted for VDOT review

Transportation Alternatives Program Application Process VDOT Administration – Attachment E

An orange starburst graphic with a black outline, containing the word "NEW!" in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

NEW!

**Option of VDOT administering
your TAP project**

**Available only to localities
with population less than 5,000**

- **Project agreement still required**
- **Local match paid to VDOT prior to project authorization**
- **No in-kind match available**
- **Any costs above federal and match amounts will be 100% responsibility of Sponsor; there is no VDOT funding**
- **Sponsor is responsible for submitting subsequent TA applications if additional funding is required.**

Transportation Alternatives Program Application Scoring

ALL Projects will be evaluated on:

- Project Concept
- Funding / Resources
- Effect on the Transportation Network
- Sponsor's Experience Administering Federal-aid Projects
- Project's Readiness to Proceed

EXISTING projects will also be evaluated on:

- Status of Project Development

Transportation Alternatives Program Application Scoring



Project Screening & Scoring Criteria Sheet

Application No: _____ Project Title: _____

STEP 1: INITIAL SCREENING	
Application Requirements	Confirmed
Project is eligible for Transportation Alternatives funding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Project Sponsor is eligible to apply for Transportation Alternatives funding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Project has acceptable beginning and ending termini (has independent utility)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acceptable project budget provided	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acceptable in-kind match documentation provided (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sponsor resolution provided including 20% match commitment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public hearing /information meeting held or documentation provided	<input type="checkbox"/>
MPO resolution attached (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>
STEP 2: PROJECT RATING	
Project Funding	Point allocation
Accurate / All-inclusive Budget	
Match commitment will be met in cash; no in-kind	
Evidence of cash available to move project forward	
Local participation will exceed 20% local requirement including other funding	
Request fully funds project or evidence provided indicating project can realistically be funded within 2 funding cycles	
Project Funding Score:	
Project Concept	Point allocation
Project scope well defined with termini clearly identified	
ADA compliance present in design / proposal	
Locality has performed on-site evaluation and identified any potential obstacles	

Transportation Alternatives Program Project Selections

Statewide Funds (50%)

- Divided amongst District CTB members for project selections – maximum \$1 Million per member
- Secretary of Transportation and CTB At-Large members will select projects with any remaining statewide funds (any funds over \$9 Million)

Population Based Funds (50%)

- MPOs will make selections in the 4 TMAs
- Secretary of Transportation and CTB At-Large members will select projects based on other population areas funding

Transportation Alternatives Program CTB Selection Process

CTB policy approved July 2013:

- 4 years to have project under construction
- CTB must fund at least 50% of the federal amount requested
- If CTB member wants to select a project requesting \$200,000 or less, they must fund 100% of that amount if it will complete the project
- Updated de-allocation, project transfer and inactive project process

Transportation Alternatives Program FY2017 Timeline

- July / August 2015 – Applicant Workshops
- November 1, 2015 – Application Deadline
- February 2016 – Applications and scores presented to TMAs and CTB
- April 2016 – Tentative Selections
- April / May 2016 – Department Six-Year Plan Public Hearings
- June 2016 – Final CTB Approval

Federal transportation legislation will need to be authorized, re-authorized or extended in order to move forward with funding FY2017 selections

Transportation Alternatives Program Important Points To Remember

- This is a federally funded reimbursement program
- These are federal transportation funds
- These are locally administered projects
- Non-profits cannot sponsor or be direct recipients of funding
- Smaller project scope with ability to get to construction within 4 years
- No more carry-over or “banking” funds for future phases
- SRTS – now 80 / 20 reimbursement and no program funding set-aside



Transportation Alternatives Program Resources



Local Assistance Division website:

<http://www.virginiadot.org/business/local-assistance.asp>



Virginia's Transportation Alternatives Program website:

<http://www.virginiadot.org/business/prehancegrants.asp>



Transportation Alternatives Data Exchange website:

<http://trade.railstotrails.org/index>



Safe Routes to Schools website:

http://www.virginiadot.org/programs/ted_Rt2_school_pro.asp

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Safe Routes to School

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Network for Success
Local Programs Workshop



September 29 – October 1
Williamsburg Doubletree



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